Attachment B FY11 Budget Veto Items: Outside Sections

Civil Motor Vehicle Infraction Hearing Fee

Section 57

I am vetoing this section because it imposes administrative costs on the Registry of Motor Vehicle and the Merit Rating Board without any appropriation to pay them.

Continuing Eligibility for Child Healthcare Programs

Section 71

I am vetoing this section because funding was not provided.

Cigar Bars

Section 102

I am vetoing this section because it prevents local officials from protecting the public health of their citizens.

Natural Heritage and Endangered Species Fund Waiver

Section 111

I am vetoing this section because it removes the discretion of the Secretary of Administration and Finance to review and approve waivers. I note, however, that the Secretary will waive indirect charges to this fund for fiscal year 2011.

Continuation of Cost Shifts to State Authorities

Section 131

I am vetoing this section because it adversely affects financially self-supported independent authorities that serve important public purposes. For several years, my Administration has worked closely with our quasi-public entities to identify appropriate and affordable contributions they can make to support state services related to their missions without adversely affecting the core services they were created to provide, and they have made tens of millions of dollars of contributions as a result.

Outreach and Enrollment Grants

Section 155

I am vetoing this section for the same reasons that I vetoed Section 131 concerning other authorities.

Provision of Publicly Subsidized Healthcare Services

Section 172

I am vetoing this section because it interferes with both the Inspector General's independent exercise of discretion, as well as an executive department's judgment regarding quality, efficiency, and cost in the provision of state services. In the spirit of this section and recognizing the Inspector General's existing authority, the Secretary of Health and Human Services has written to the Inspector General about this matter.

Distressed Community Provider Trust Fund

Section 188

I am vetoing this section because it does not allow for federal matching funds for this program. Funds are available for MassHealth to administer the program in a more appropriate and affordable manner.

Attachment B FY11 Budget Veto Items: Outside Sections

FMAP Budget Relief Fund

Section 190

I am vetoing this section because none of the enhanced FMAP funds have been received from or committed by the federal government.

Reinstate Carry Forward

Section 191

I am vetoing this section because none of the enhanced FMAP funds have been received from or committed by the federal government.

Cancel No Carry Forward

Section 192

I am vetoing this section because none of the enhanced FMAP funds have been received from or committed by the federal government.

Probation Commissioner I

Section 198

I am vetoing this section because any commissioner of probation should be held accountable by a periodic term of years, rather than a life appointment.